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1. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY MFA(ELRON) THAT INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN SENT TO ISRAELI EMBASSY, WASHINGTON IN RESPONSE TO SCHMIDT/RAFF MEETING IN DEPARTMENT ON JAN 27. ISRAELI EMBASSY WILL SUBMIT NOTE TO DEPARTMENT INCORPORATING POINTS RAISED BY SCHMIDT (STATE 21088) AND INDICATING GOI WILLINGNESS TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS EITHER BILATERALLY OR WITHIN MTN FRAMEWORK IN GENEVA.

2. WE ARE TRANSMITTING ISRAELI NOTE DATD JAN 24, 1975 WHICH CONSTITUTES GOI'S FORMAL REQUEST TO BE DESIGNATED AS A BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRY FOR PURPOSES OF GSP. TEXT OF NOTE FOLLOWS:

" THE MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND, BASING ITSELF ON UNITED STATES PUBLIC LAW 93-618, TITLE V, SECTION 502 C 1, HAS THE HONOR FORMALLY TO COMMUNICATE, THROUGH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE EMBASSY, THIS EXPRESSION BY THE GOVERNMENT OF

ISRAEL OF ITS DESIRE THAT ISRAEL BE DESIGNATED AS
A BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRY FOR THE PURPOSE OF
ITS DETERMINATION AS SUCH BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES.

" IN POINT OF FACT, THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL HAS MADE
KNOWN THAT WISH ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS IN THE PAST, AND HAS,
INDEED, BEEN DESIGNATED AS A BENEFICIARY COUNTRY BY A
NUMBER OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE ALREADY PUT
GENERAL SCHEMES OF PREFERENCE INTO PRACTICE. IN THIS
CONTEXT, THE MINISTRY ALLOWS ITSELF TO DRAW THE EMBASSY'S
ATTENTION TO RELEVANT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ISRAEL/UNITED
STATES SUB-COMMITTEE ON TRADE, AS RECORDED UNDER RUBRIC
B IN THE MINUTES OF ITS MEETING IN JERUSALEM ON 31 OCTOBER
1974.

" THE MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES
THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. JERUSALEM,
24 JANUARY 1975."
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